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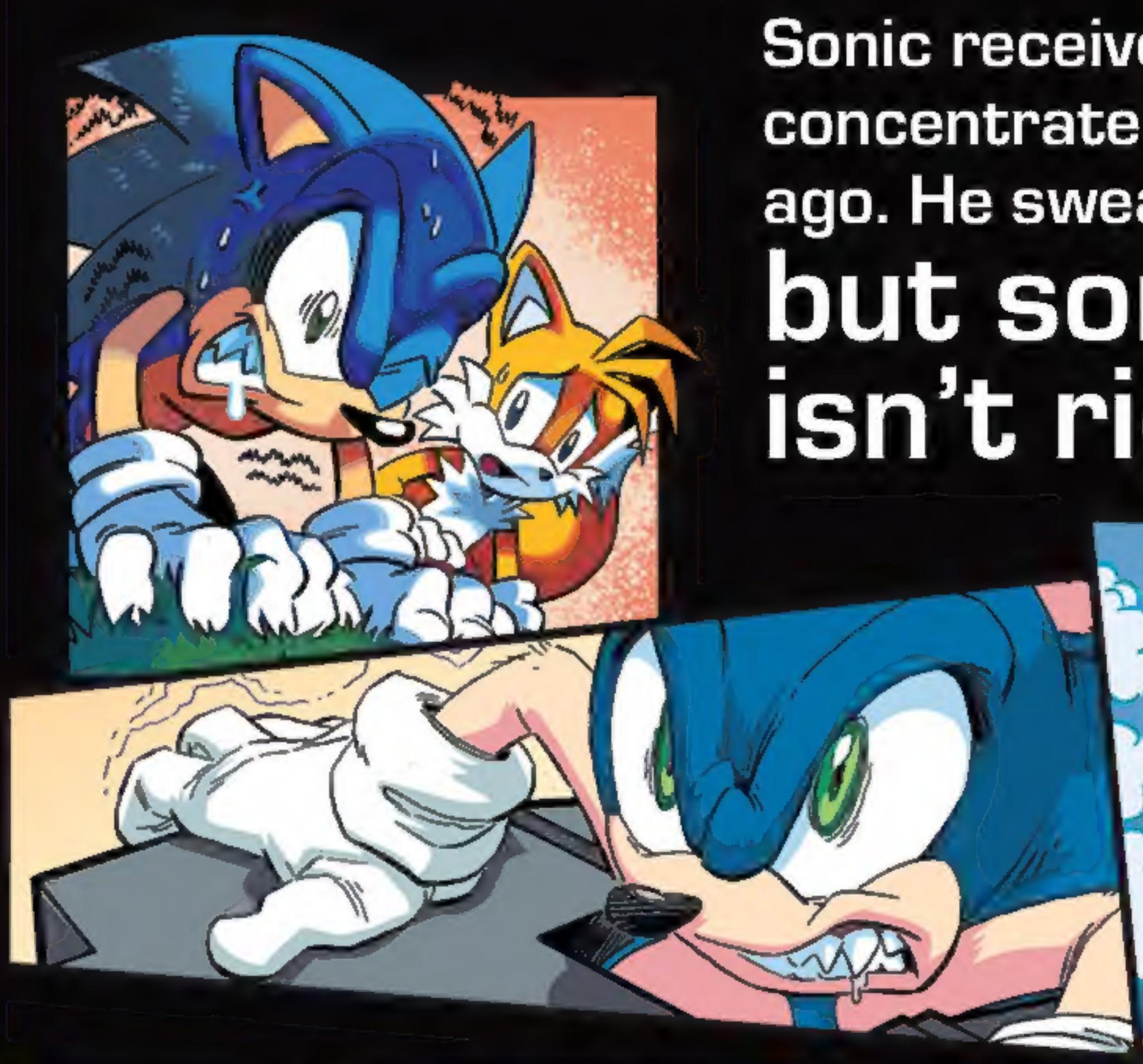
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What makes things especially dangerous is the essence of Dark Gaia seeping through the cracks in the earth. This corrupting muck creates terrifying monsters every night and darkens the hearts and minds of those exposed to it.

Sonic received a face-full of concentrated Dark Gaia energy days ago. He swears he's fine, but something isn't right...



WHO'S WHO



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG  
WORLD FAMOUS HERO



AMY ROSE  
HAMMER-SWINGING HEROINE  
& SALLY ACORN  
PRINCESS & TACTICIAN



MIGHTY THE ARMADILLO  
LAID-BACK TITAN  
& RAY THE FLYING SQUIRREL  
SUPER FLYER



???

ROCKY JUNGLE  
ZONE, SOUMERICA...

KITTY!

BLAM!

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CODE NAME:  
XI

WOA-  
HO-HO!  
KITTY'S  
GOT CLAWS  
--AND  
LASERS!

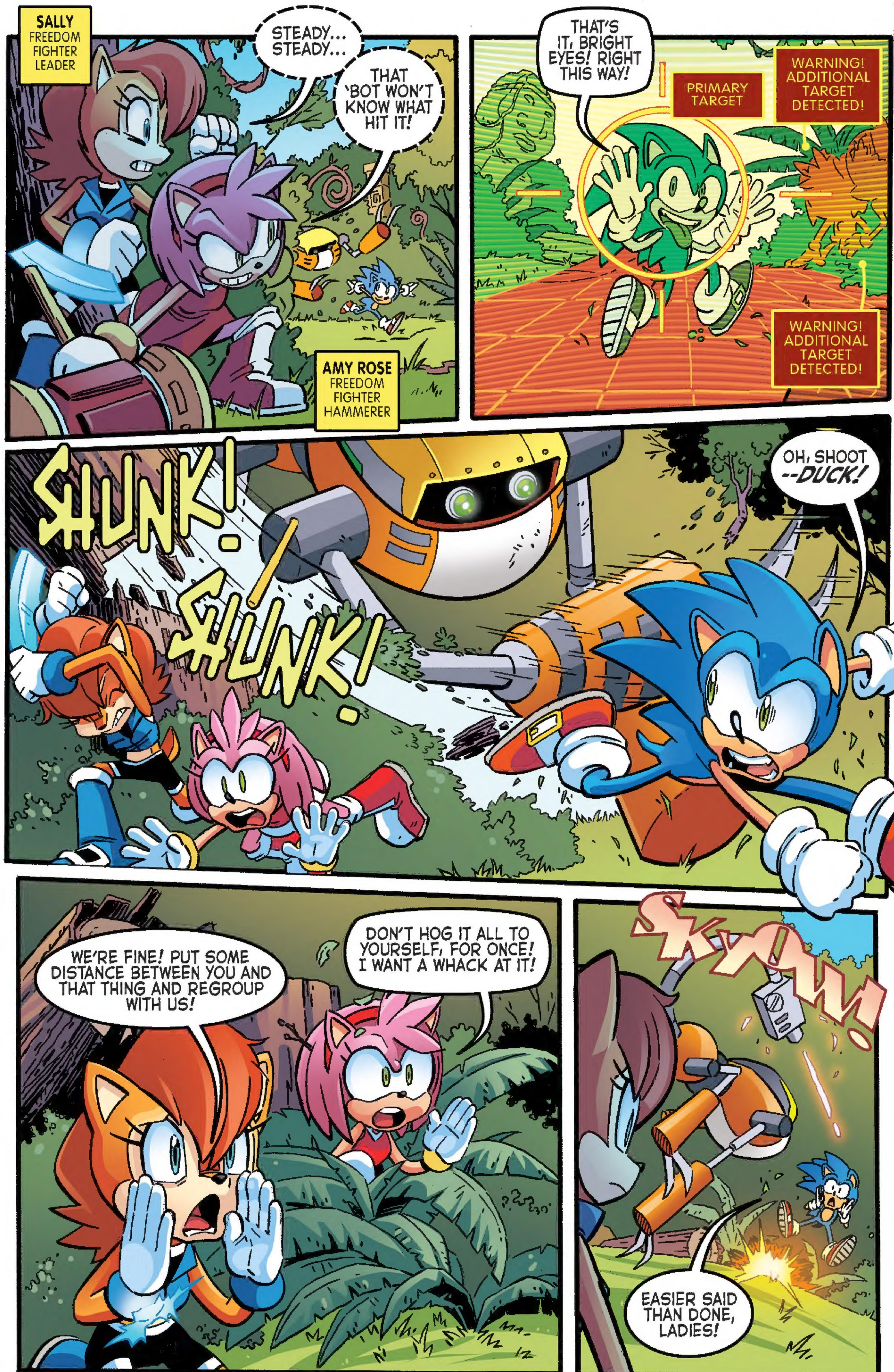
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THING  
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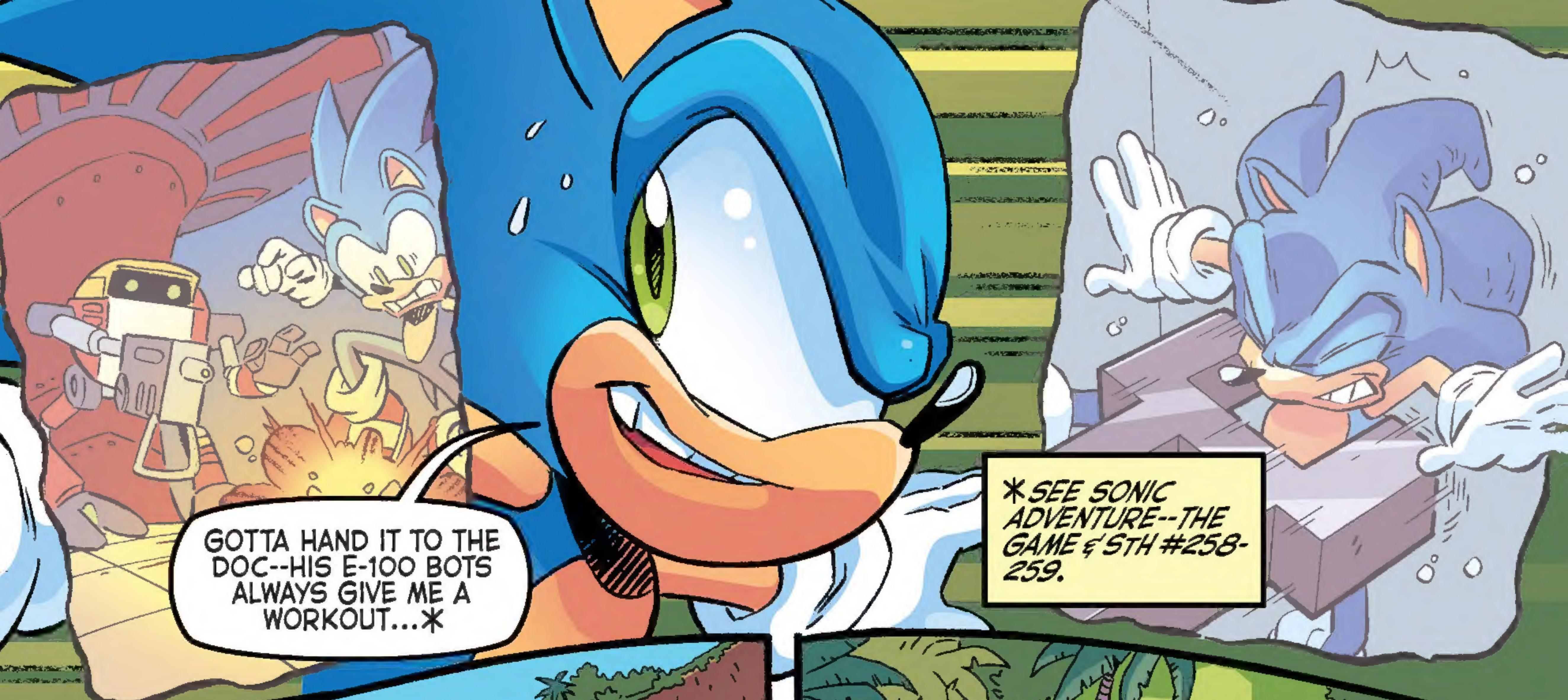
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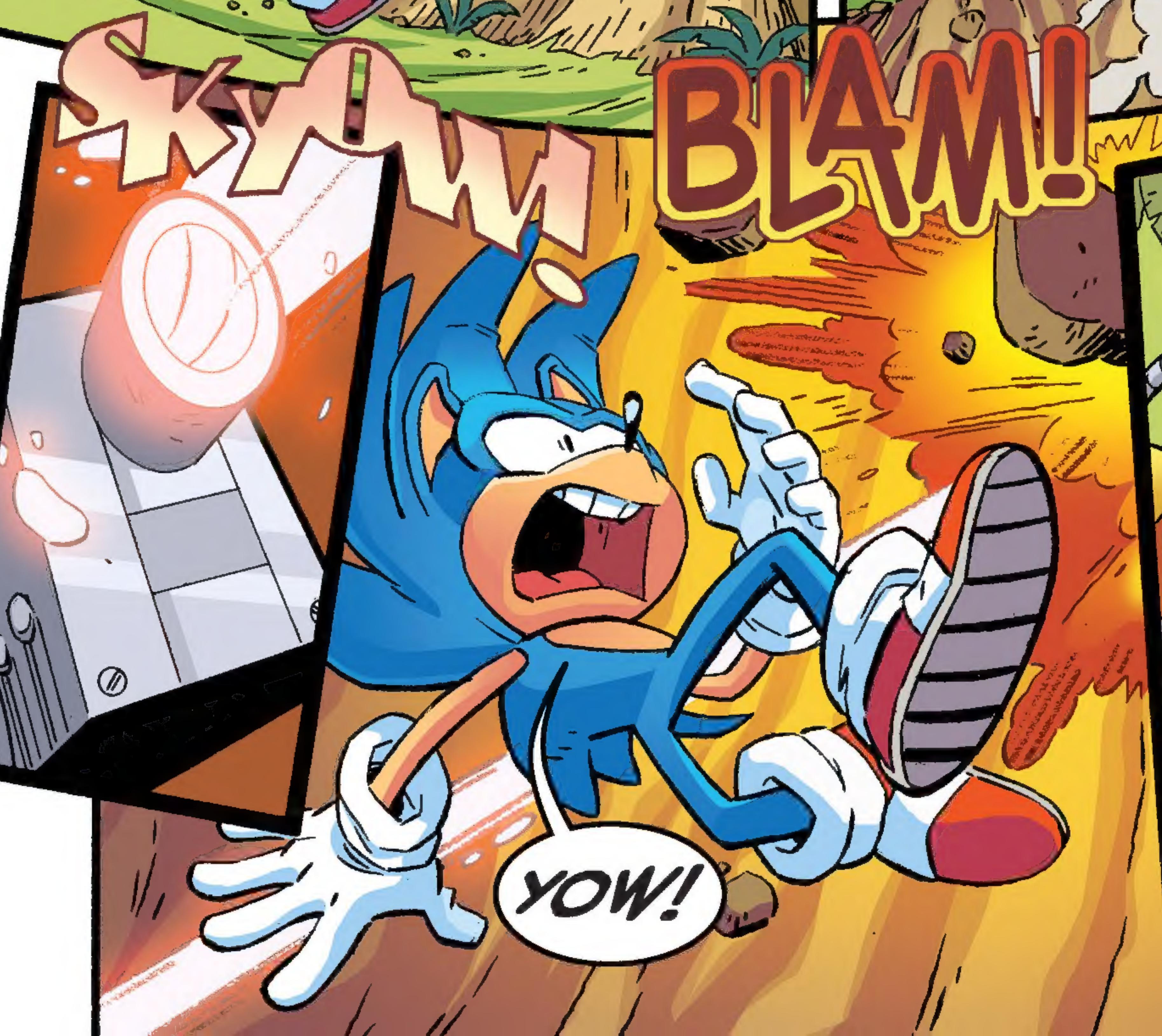


GOTTA HAND IT TO THE  
DOC--HIS E-100 BOTS  
ALWAYS GIVE ME A  
WORKOUT...\*

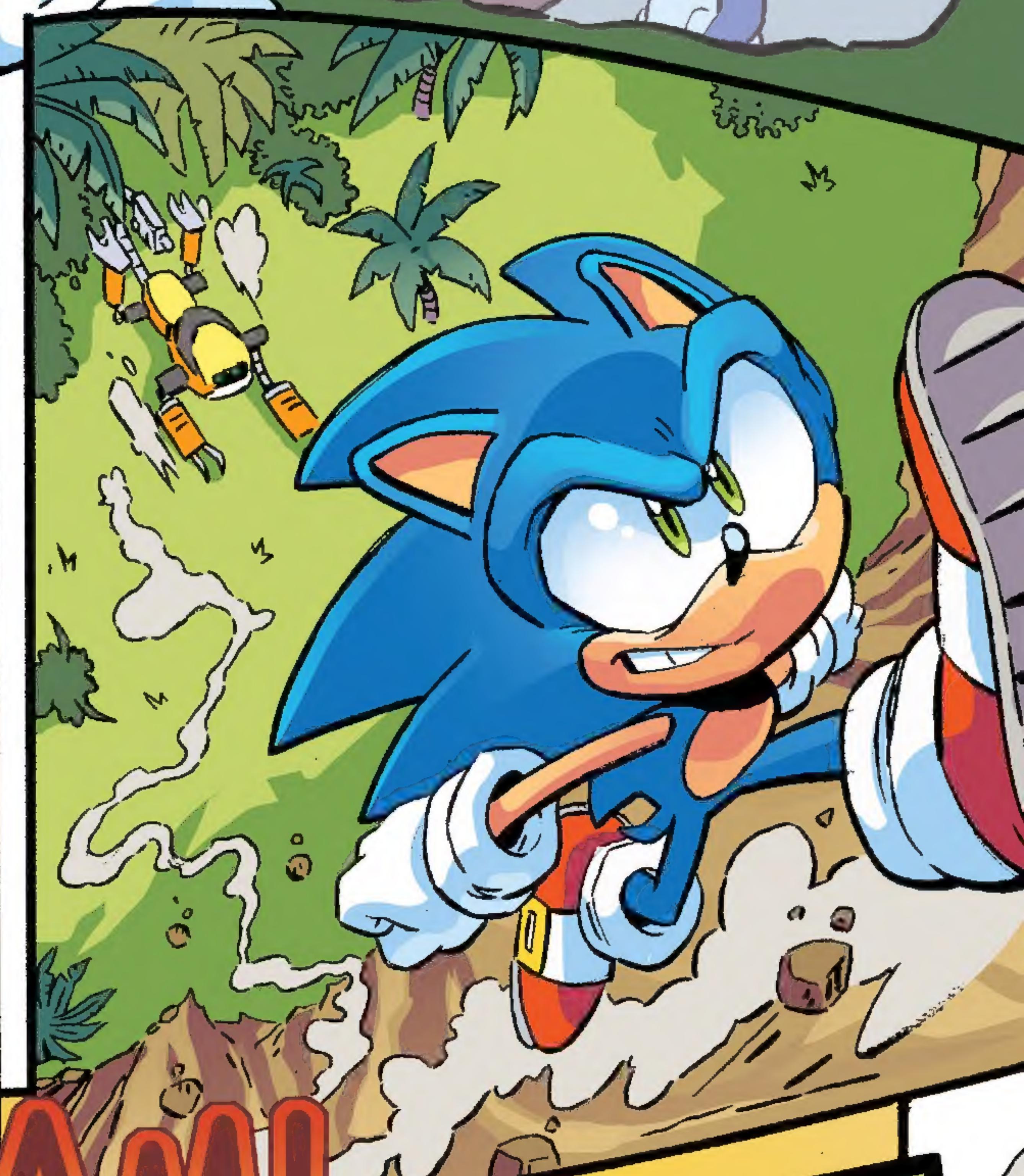
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


...BUT I'VE NEVER  
TECHNICALLY LOST TO  
ONE YET. AND I DON'T  
PLAN ON CHANGING  
THAT!



...LUCKY SHOT,  
JERK...





AT THE NEAREST  
EGG ARMY BASE...

WHAT  
HAPPENED  
?!

GULP! UM... WELL... XI  
REPORTED IT WAS CLOSING  
IN ON SONIC. AND THEN...  
IT WENT OFFLINE.

I--I CAN SEND A  
RECOVERY TEAM TO...

UNACCEPTABLE!

LORD EGGMAN  
ENTRUSTED ONE OF HIS  
PRIZED SUPER-BADNIKS  
TO US! TO LOSE IT SO  
QUICKLY IS A TRUE  
DISGRACE!

E-EGG BOSS  
THUNDERBOLT,  
MA'AM! PREP-  
ARATIONS ARE  
COMPLETE FOR  
YOUR PLAN!

LORD  
EGGMAN'S  
PLAN! WE  
SIMPLY HAVE  
THE PLEASURE  
OF MAKING IT  
HAPPEN!

SOON, WE WILL HAVE THE  
DISTINCTION OF BEING THE EGG  
ARMY UNIT THAT *DESTROYED*  
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG.

MEANWHILE...

WHY IS IT  
WHENEVER WE MEET  
UP, YOU'RE ALWAYS  
IN SOME KIND OF  
TROUBLE?

LONG  
TIME, NO SEE,  
MIGHTY!

ME?  
YOU'RE THE  
ONE WHO--

Sonic?!  
ARE YOU ALL  
RIGHT?!

IT'S ALL GOOD, LADIES. MY BOYS  
MIGHTY AND RAY CAME OUT OF  
NOWHERE TO LEND A HAND!

GREETINGS, YOUR HIGHNESS. WE  
WERE IN THE AREA, HEARD THE  
FIGHTING, AND CAME TO HELP.

NO NEED FOR  
FORMALITIES, MIGHTY.  
AS FAR AS I'M CON-  
CERNED, YOU AND RAY  
ARE HONORARY  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS.

THANKS, YOUR  
HIGH-SALLY. THAT  
MEANS A LOT.

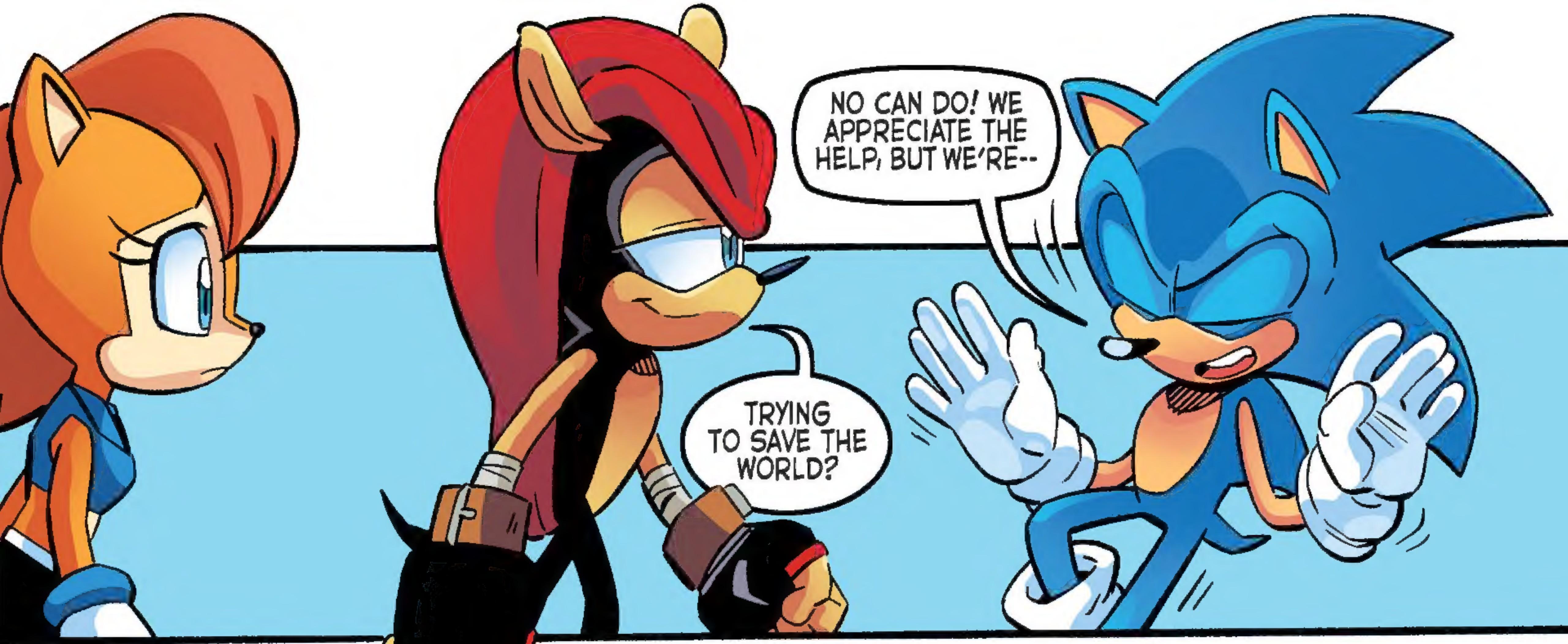
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WANTED A SHOT AT  
THE ROBOT!

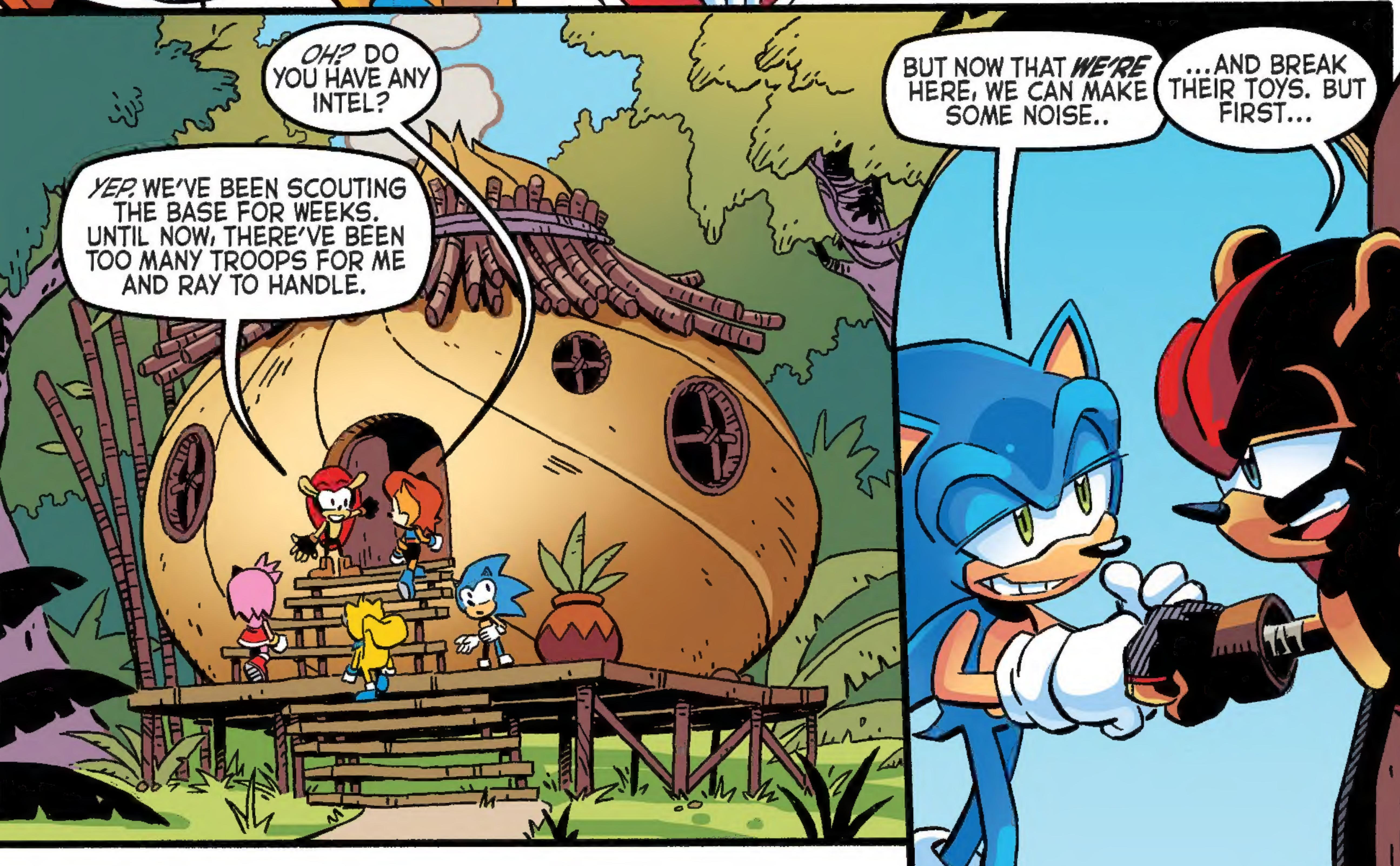
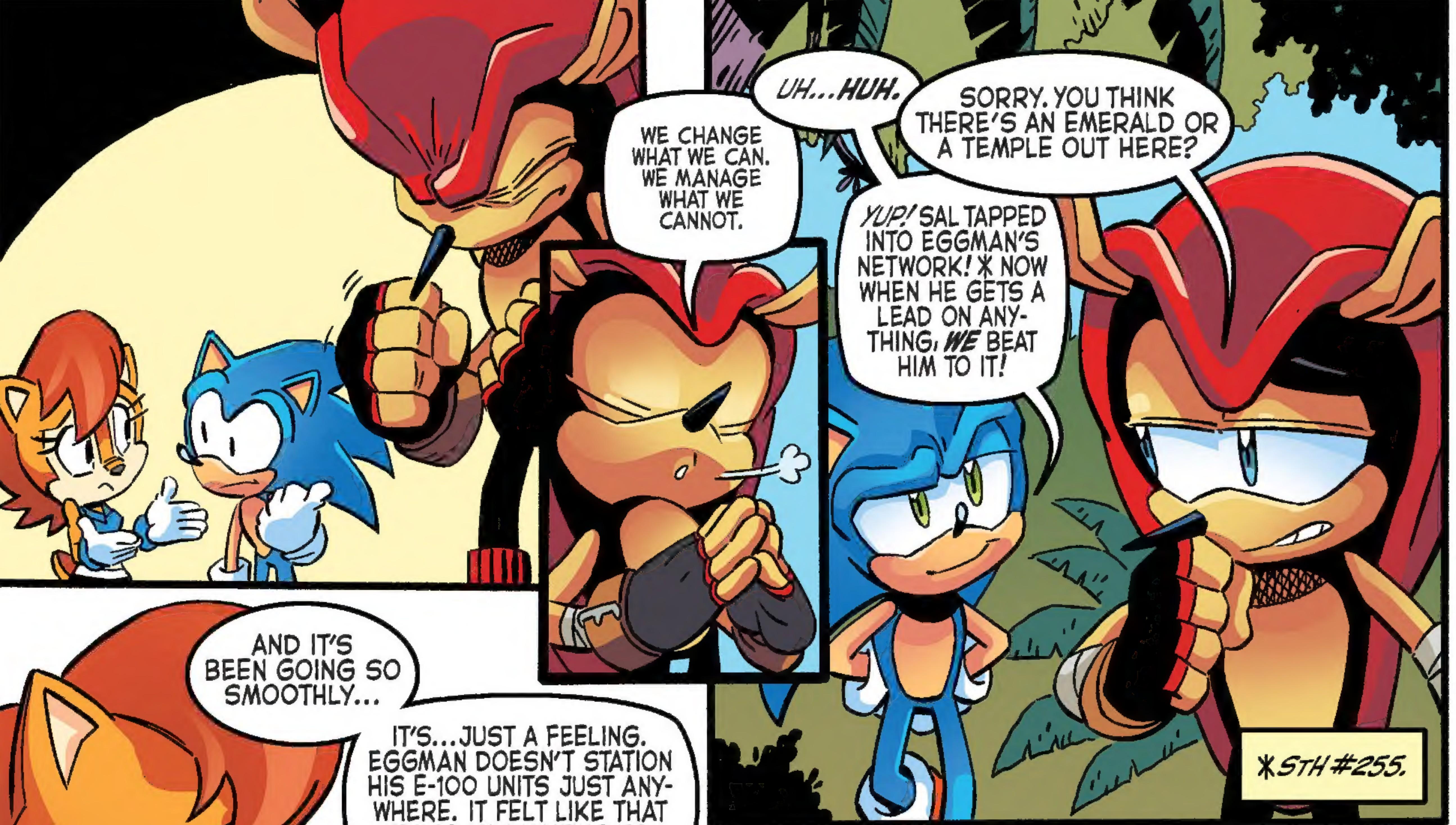
MIGHTY  
TOTALLED IT,  
NOT ME!

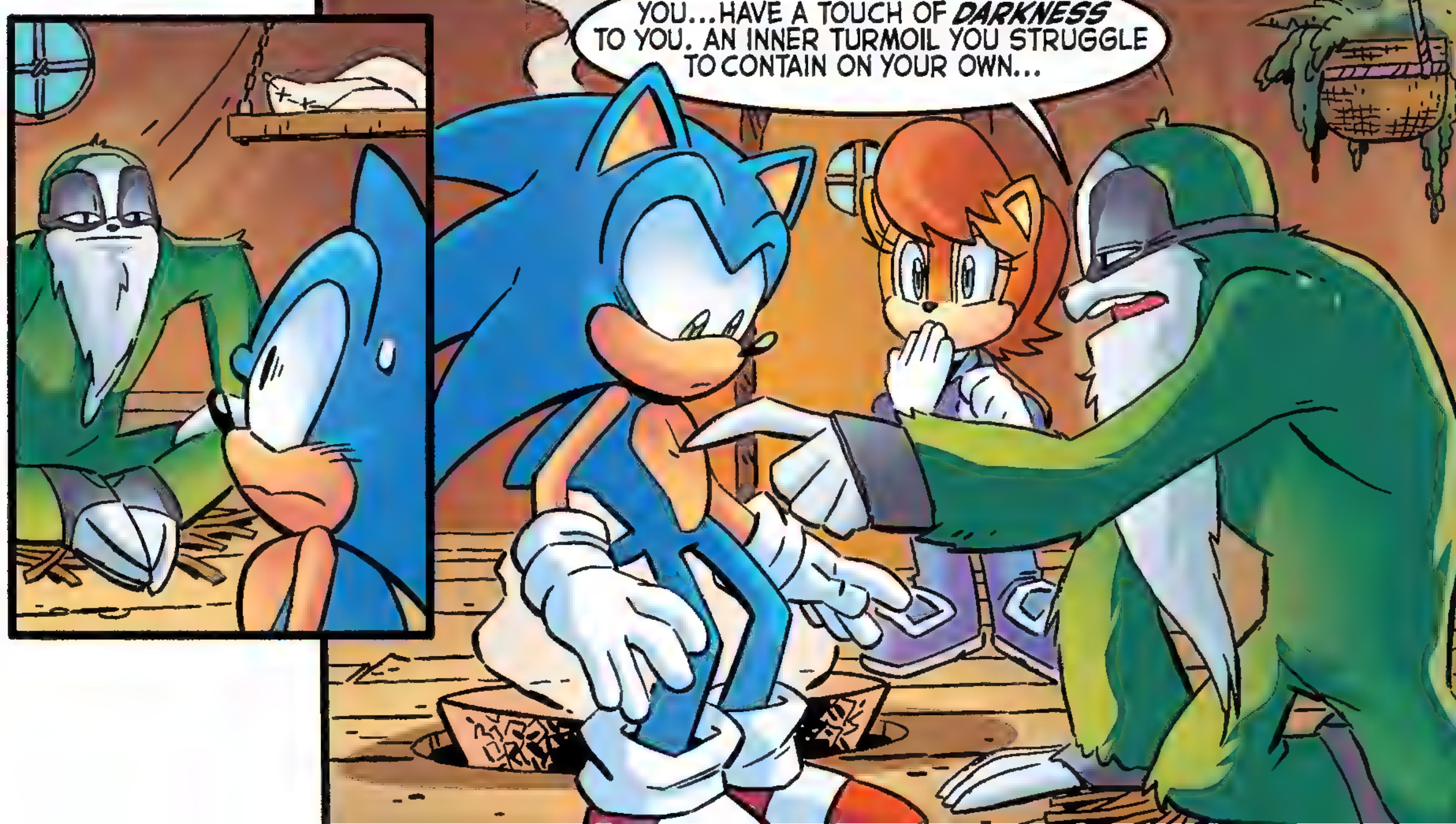
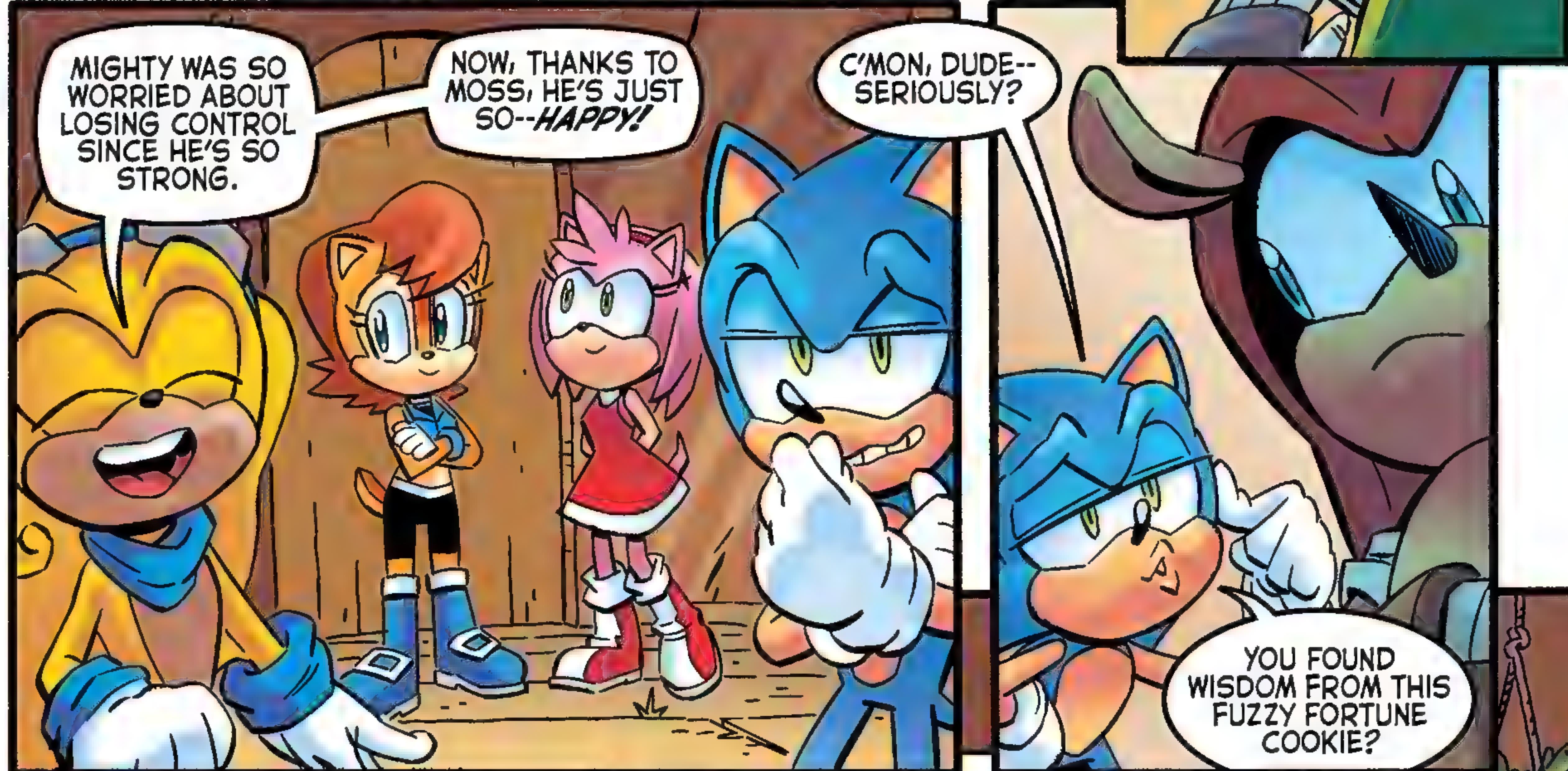
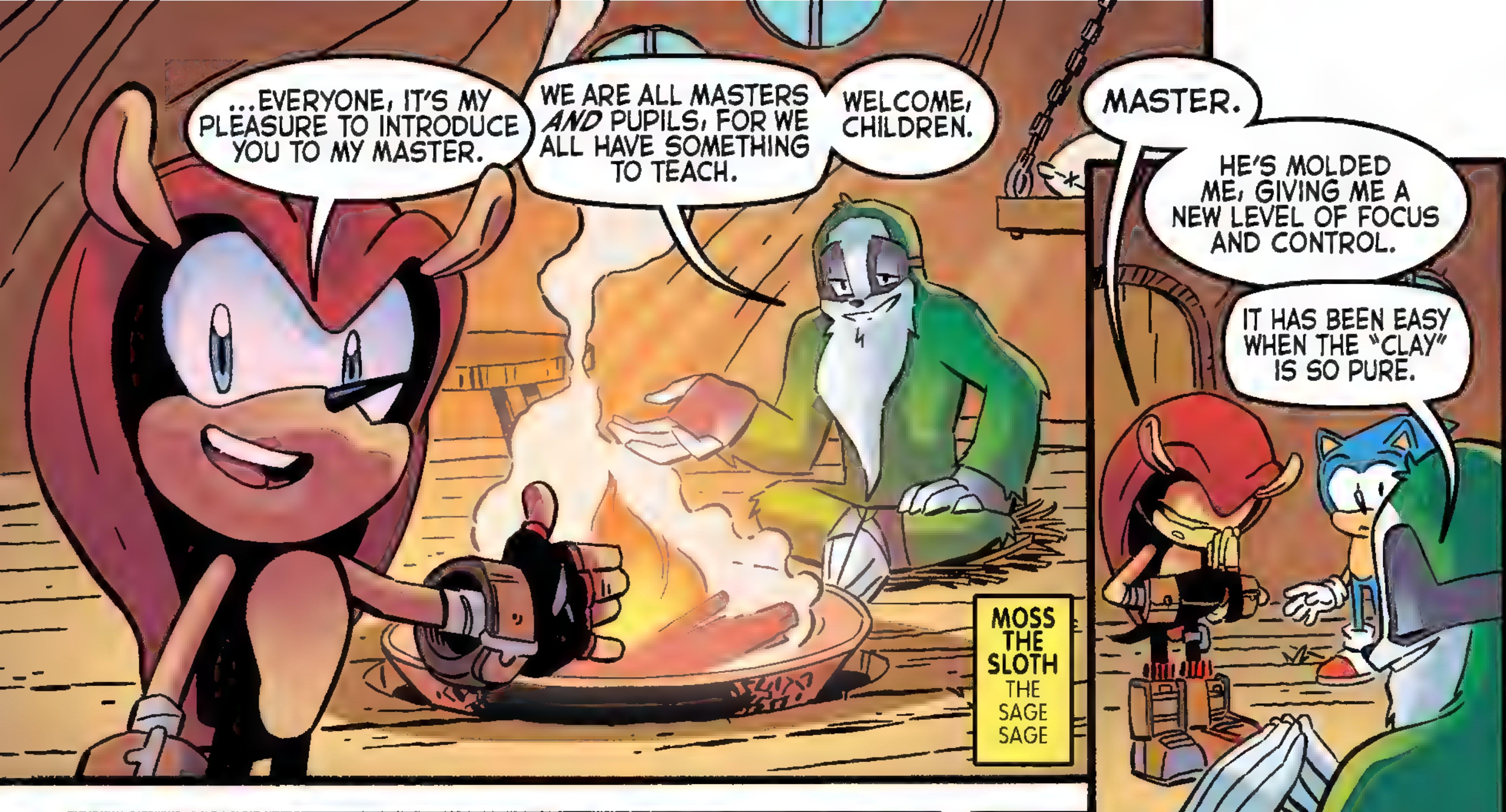
AND YOU HAD ME  
WORRIED SICK!  
WHAT WOULD I DO  
IF THAT THING TOOK  
YOUR HEAD OFF?!

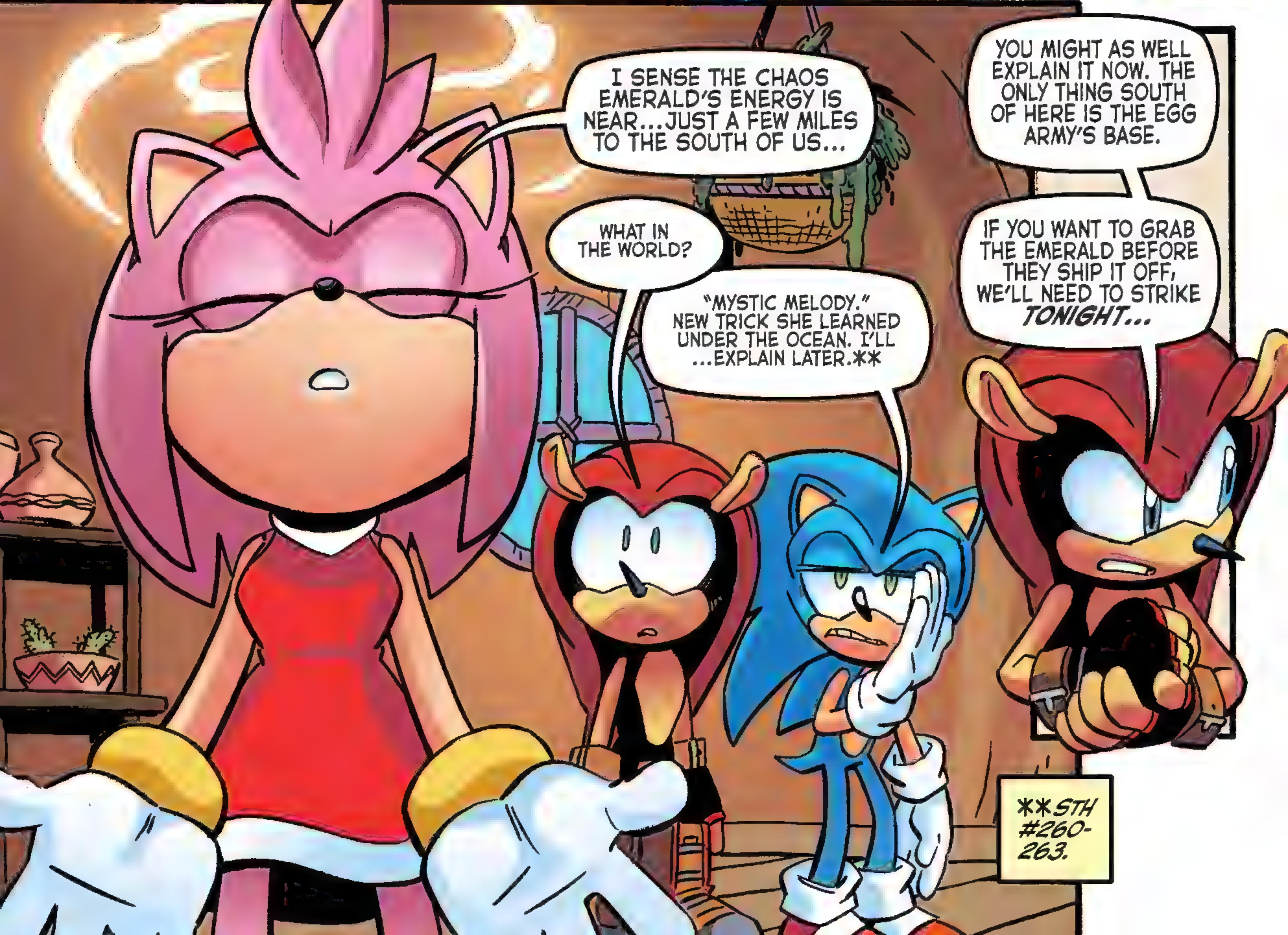
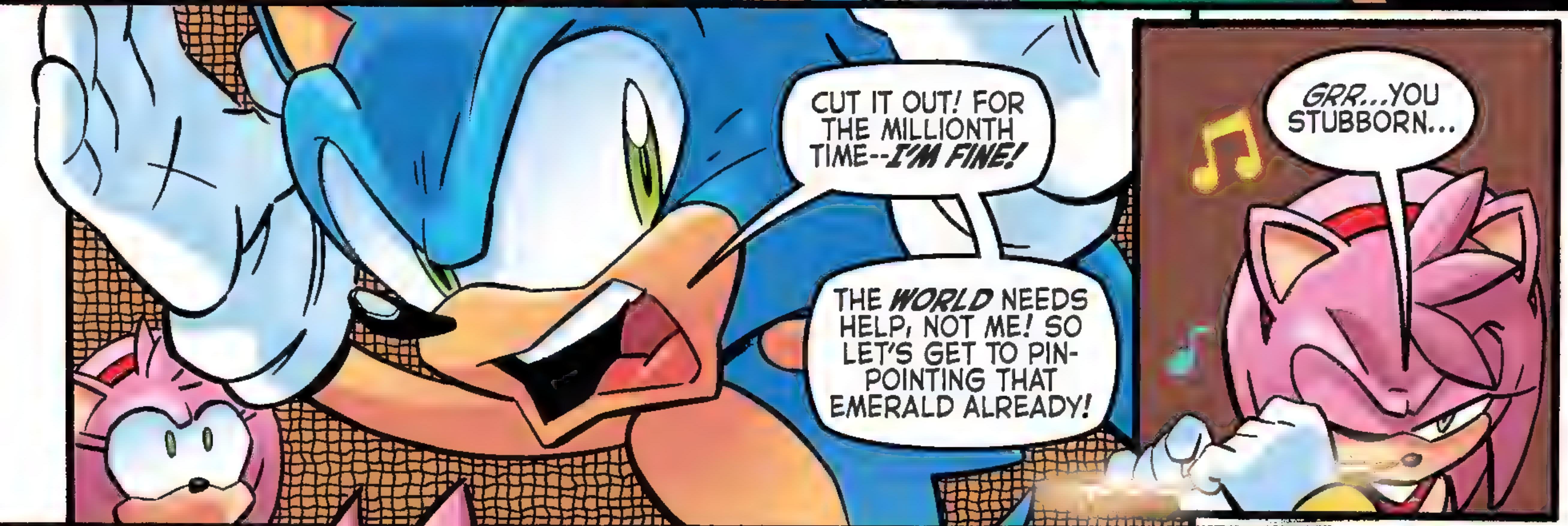
IT LOOKS LIKE  
THAT ROBOT GAVE  
YOU TROUBLE. OUR  
CAMP'S NOT FAR--  
CHILL OUT FOR A  
BIT, OKAY?

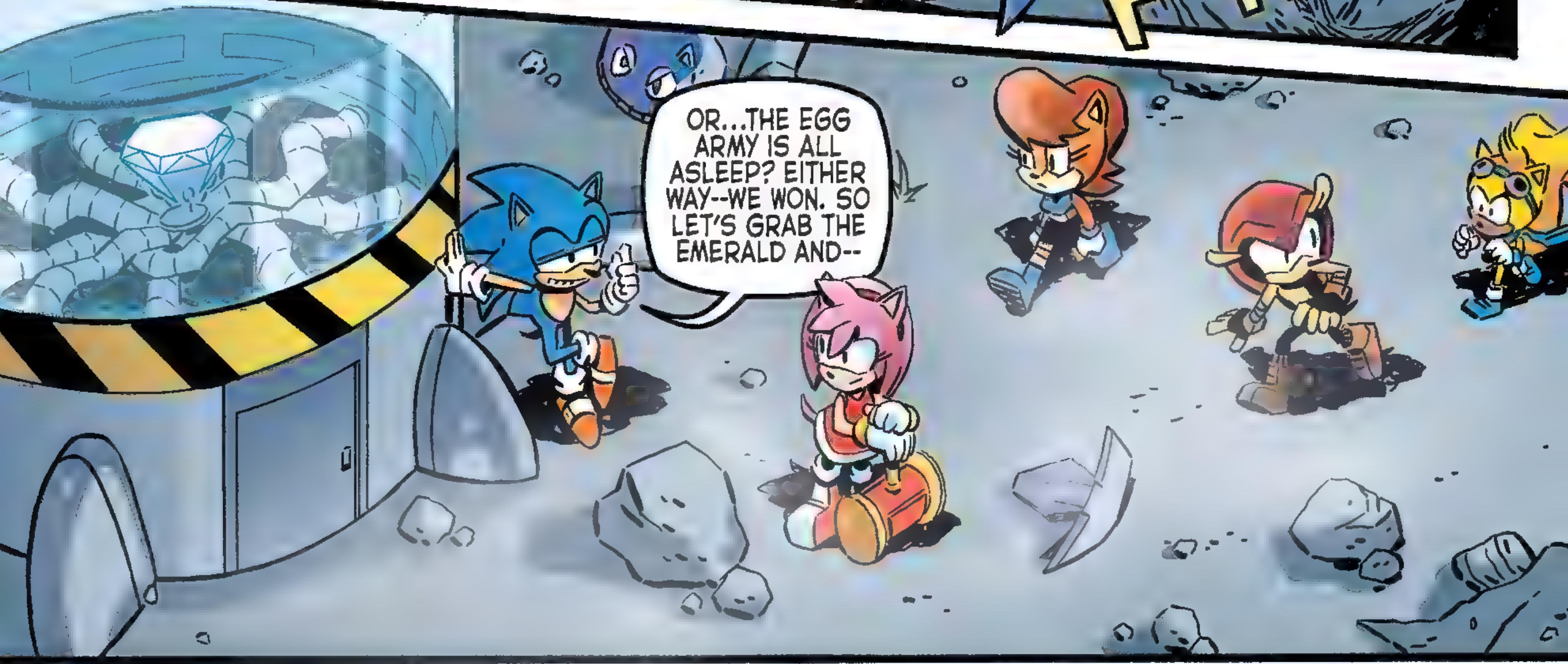
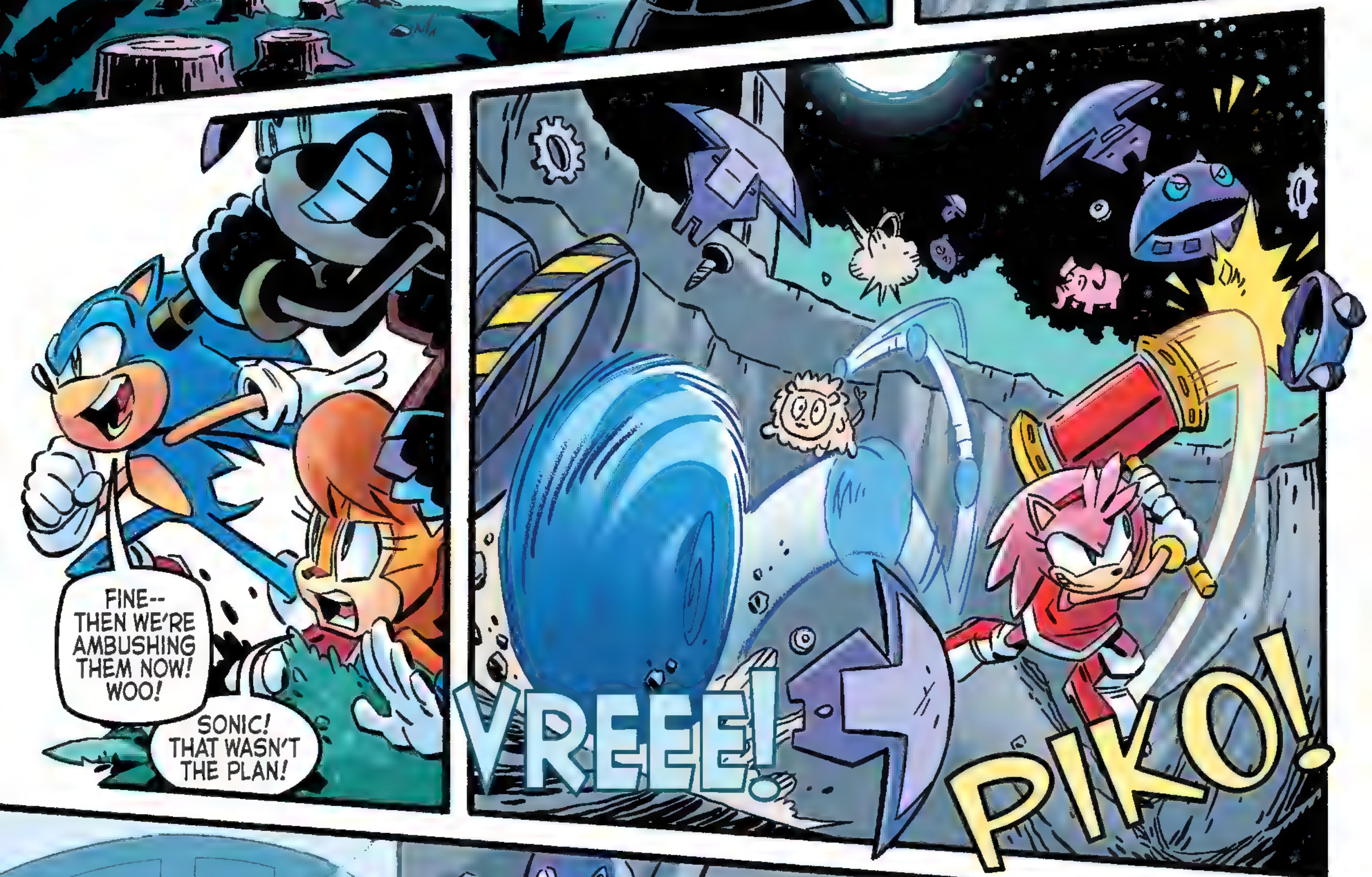


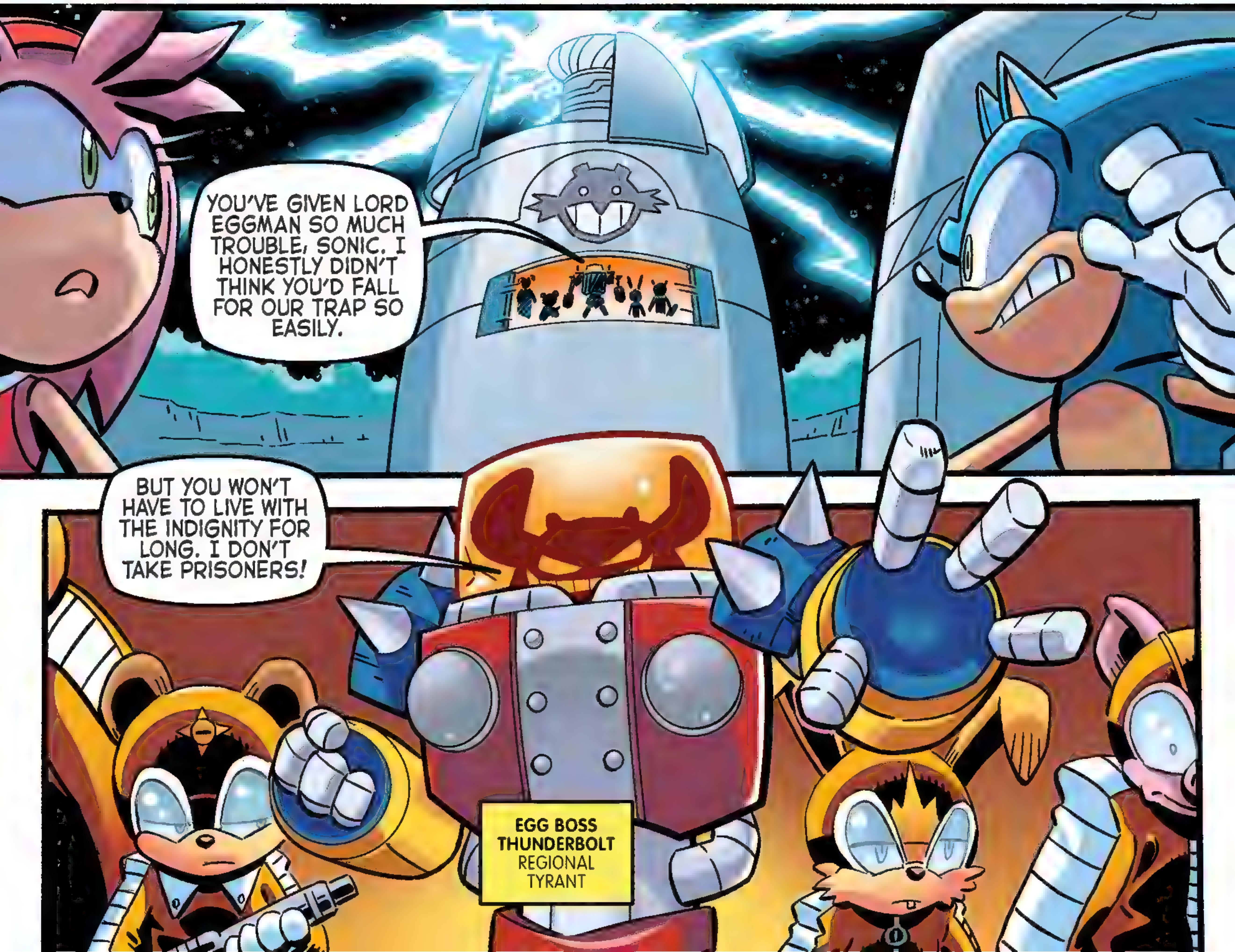
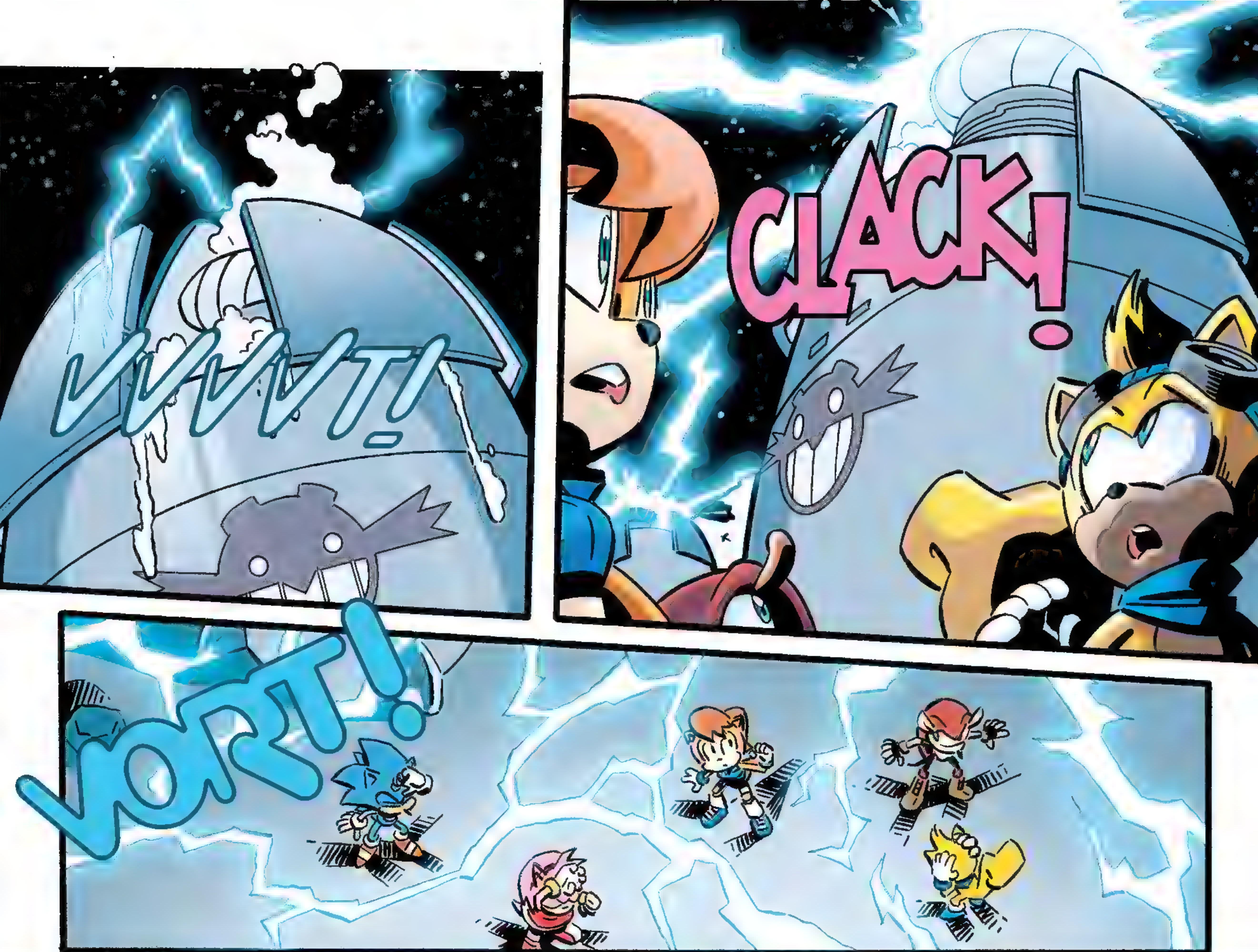




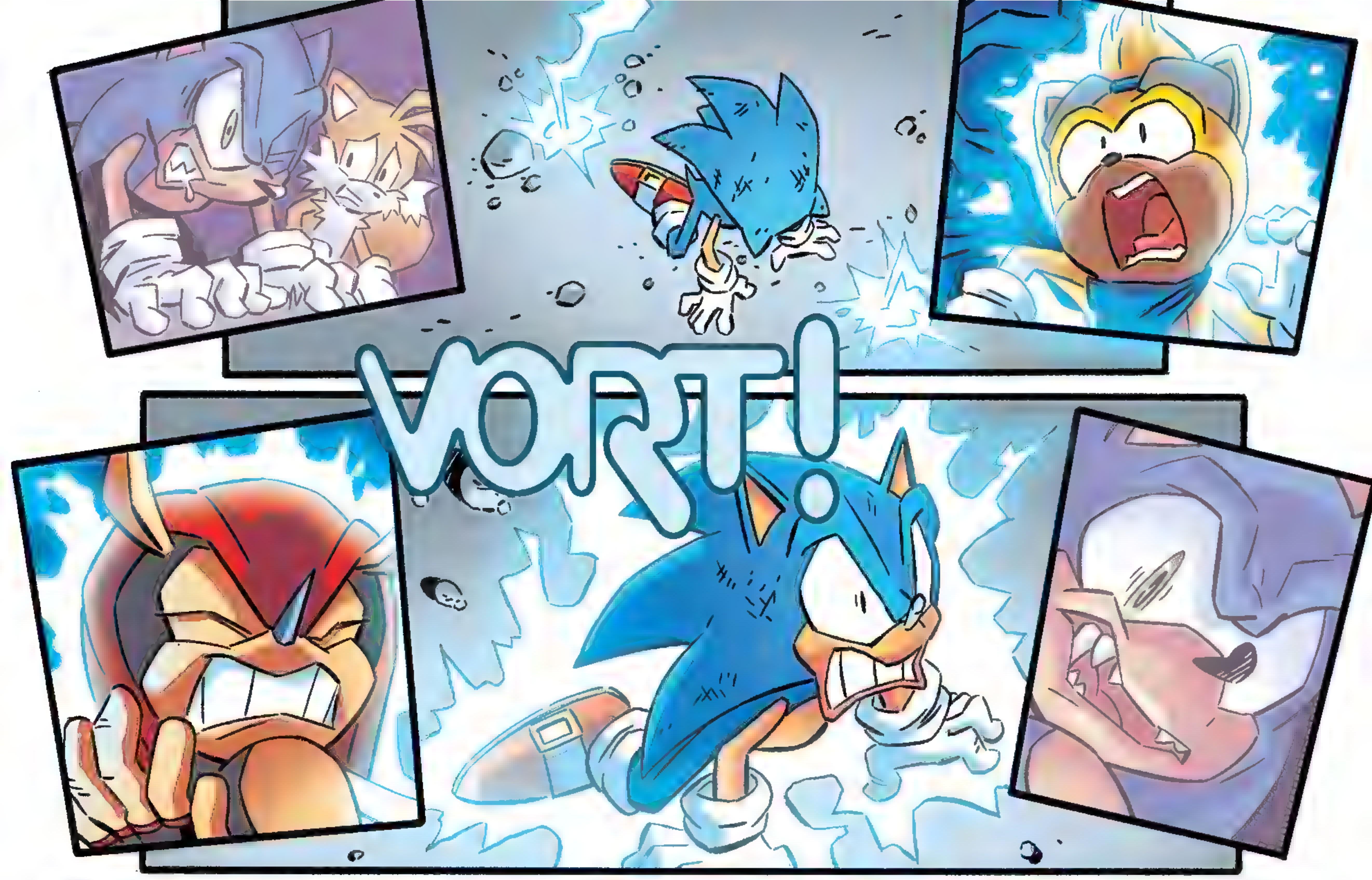












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NEXT  
TIME: SONIC THE WEREHOG...  
**UNLEASHED!**

UNTIL THEN, DON'T MISS OUT ON SONIC UNIVERSE,  
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AND THE GRAPHIC NOVEL LIBRARY!

HARBOR  
HEIGHTS,  
SOUMLERCA...

ANTOINE  
D'COOLETTE  
FIGHTIN'  
FRENCHMAN

IT'S INCREDIBLY FAINT AND  
HARD TO PINPOINT, BUT I  
ZINK ZIS IS WHERE ZEE  
CHAOS EMERALD ENERGY  
SIGNATURE LEADS!

BUNNIE  
"RABBOT"  
D'COOLETTE  
ROBOT  
RABBIT  
WARRIOR

ANY ENERGY  
SIGNATURE IS WORTH  
CHECKIN' INTO IF IT  
MEANS WE CAN SAVE  
THE WORLD.

SPEAKING OF SAVING  
ZEE WORLD, IT LOOKS  
LIKE ZEESE PEOPLE  
NEED OUR HELP!

WHEN ZE  
WORLD SHATTERED  
TO PIECES, ZIS TOWN  
MUST HAVE BEEN  
LEFT PRONE TO  
FLOOD!

HELP!  
DOWN  
HERE!

ANTOINE, LOOK! THOSE  
NEWLYWEDS ARE GONNA  
HAVE A **REAL SHORT**  
HONEYMOON IF WE  
DON'T HELP 'EM!

## A NICE DAY TO START AGAIN

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AH'LL  
GRAB  
THESE  
FOLKS!

I'LL MAKE  
ANOTHER PASS  
AND MAKE SURE  
ZERE'S NOBODY  
ELSE IN DANGER.

AH GOTCHA,  
LOVEBIRDS!

LOOKS LIKE EVERYONE  
ELSE MANAGED TO GET TO  
HIGHER GROUND BEFORE  
ZEE FLOOD HIT.

KER-SNAP!  
ANTOINE!  
LOOK OUT!

HC  
HONEY CLOTHING





SEEMS LIKE JUST  
YESTERDAY WE WERE  
GETTING MARRIED,  
NO?

WHAT'S  
WRONG, MY  
LOVE?

WHEN AH SAW THAT  
BILLBOARD CRASHING  
DOWN ON YOU...IT'S  
STILL SUCH A DANGEROUS  
WORLD FOR US,  
AND AH...

...AH DON'T THINK  
AH COULD LOSE  
YOU, ANTOINE.

NEVER FEAR. NO  
MATTER WHAT DANGERS  
WE ARE FACING, I'M  
NOT GOING ANYWHERE.

NOT  
WITHOUT  
YOU, MY  
LOVE.

THE END

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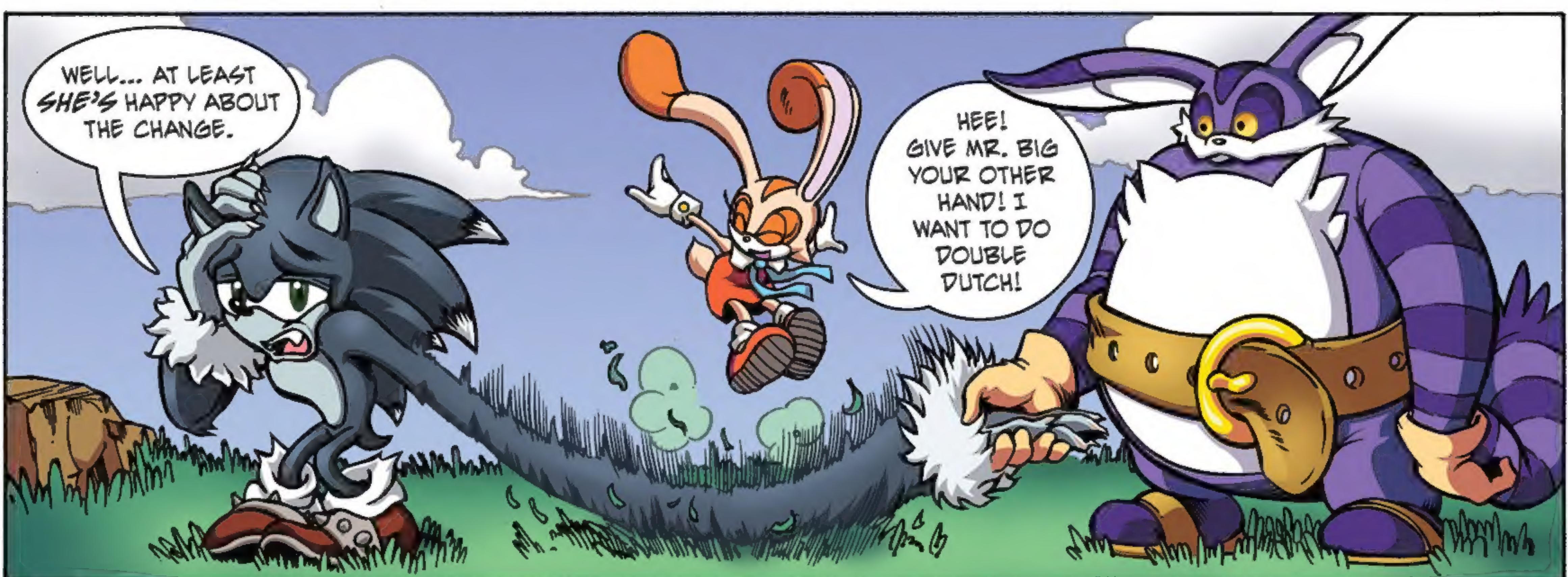
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Dear 'Sonic Grams,'  
This is my first time writing to you and let me say, I really appreciate the effort you all put into the comics, both STH and SU.

**Thank you!**

I have a few questions I would like to ask.

**Serving up a fresh batch of "the usual"!**

First of all, will we be seeing the return on Snively? He was very intriguing and one of my favorite characters.

**Yes! As a matter of fact, Snively is currently assisting Team Dark in the story arc "Total Eclipse" which just began in Sonic Universe #67 -- on sale now, be sure to pick it up!**

Also, how did the Pumpkin Hill Zone form? Why pumpkins? What causes the light from within the pumpkins?

**The origin of Pumpkin Hill is as mysterious and ghostly as the zone itself. In fact, it's too chilling to even explain here! As for the lights coming out of the pumpkins, they are emitted from haunted flashlights that never run out of power! Naturally.**

And finally, will there ever be a Sonic movie? (Live action or animated?)

**Your Most Boss Fan,  
Travis W.  
From Oklahoma**

**Thanks for writing to us, Travis! There is one in development and we can't wait to see it!**

Dear 'Sonic Grams,'  
Wow, you guys sure have a lot of fans, and I'm one of them.

**It's been a hot summer, we can always use more fans!**

What took you guys so long to make a Sonic Unleashed comic?

**Ian had a bunch of stories he wanted to tell before reaching the events of Sonic Unleashed. We did have an "Unleashed" story waaaay back in STH#219, though! Check it out on the Sonic Comics App! plugplugplugplug**

When will the Sonic Boom comics be published?

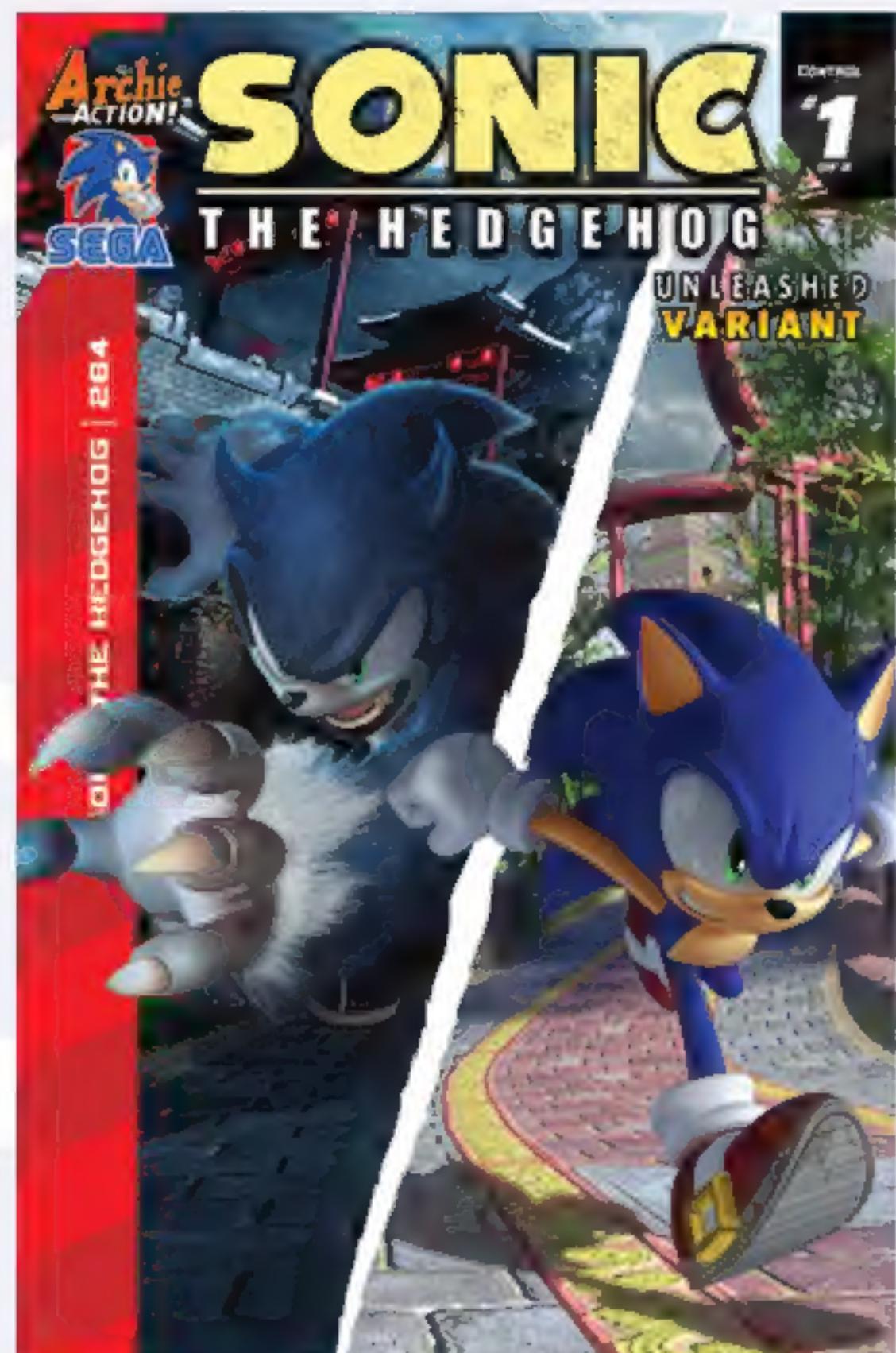
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Coolest Sonic Fan,  
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**Thank you for the letter, Kristy! You can snag your first issue of Sonic Boom this October! You can order your subscription today with the coupon towards the start of this issue!**

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